

# People born in the European Economic Area (EEA) living in RENFREWSHIRE

Demographic and Census Analysis

This analysis focuses on residents based on their country of birth as the 2011 Census did not include a question on nationality. It should be noted that people born abroad may later acquire British nationality.

EEA countries include EU member countries at March 2011 (excluding the UK in this data) and Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Within the EEA area there is free movement of people, goods, services and capital in the European Single Market.

#### **Key points**

- In the 2011 Census, 1.8% (3,200 people) of Renfrewshire's population was born in a country in the EEA.
- Net migration to Renfrewshire from overseas has been positive for most of the last 12 years. Most recently in 2015/16 there was a net gain of 500 people from overseas.
- In 2011, a higher proportion of the EEA-born population of Renfrewshire was of working age (16-64 years) (77%; 2,500 people), compared with 66% of Renfrewshire's overall population.
- Renfrewshire is projected to have an ageing population over the next 25 years, with a projected increase of 50% for those aged 65 or over. In contrast, the working age population (aged 16-64 years) is projected to decrease by 13% between 2014 and 2039.
- In 2011, a slightly higher proportion of EEA-born residents aged 16 and over were in employment (59%; 1,700 people) compared with the total population aged 16 and over of the council area (57%).
- The proportion of the EEA-born population aged 16-74 with a degree level qualification in 2011 was 41% (1,100 people). The proportion of all people aged 16-74 in Renfrewshire with a degree level qualification was lower at 24%.

#### **Number of EEA-born residents**

According to the 2011 Census, 1.8% (3,200 people) of Renfrewshire's population was born in the EEA. The corresponding proportion for the whole of Scotland was 3.0%.

Total 174,908

Born in Scotland 159,373

Born in Rest of UK 8,039

Born in EEA 3,198

Born elsewhere 4,298

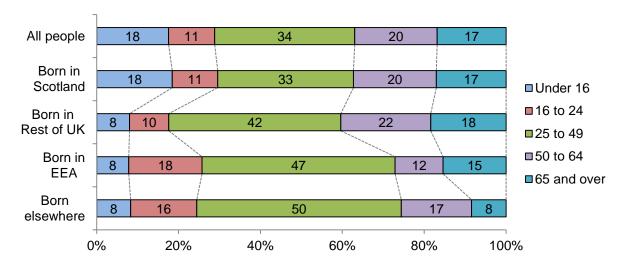
Figure 1: Number of residents by country of birth, Renfrewshire, 2011

Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

## Age profile of EEA-born residents

In 2011, 77% of EEA-born residents (2,500 people) were aged 16-64 years, compared with 66% of the whole Renfrewshire population. 15% of EEA-born residents (490 people) were aged 65 years or over, compared with 17% of the whole population.

Figure 2: Percentage of the population in each age group by country of birth, Renfrewshire, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

#### **Migration trends**

The migration estimates at local level do not allow the overseas component of migration to be broken down into individual countries or groups of countries. The charts start from 2003/04 as the Treaty of Accession came into force in 2003 followed by an enlargement of the EU in 2004.

Over most of the past 12 years, Renfrewshire has experienced mostly positive net migration from overseas although this was negative between 2011/12 and 2013/14. In 2015/16 there was a net gain of 500 people from overseas compared with 200 people in 2004/05.

Net migration from within Scotland has been increasing over the last 12 years. In 2015/16 there was a net gain of 900 people compared to a net loss of 300 in 2003/04.

Within Scotland net migration

— Rest of UK net migration

— Overseas net migration

Natural Change

Natural Change

Output

The state of UK net migration

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Figure 3: Components of population change, Renfrewshire, 2003/04 - 2014/16

Source: Mid-Year Population Estimates, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

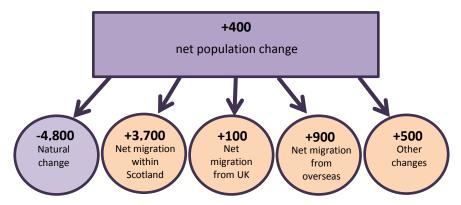
## **Population projections**

These are trend-based and do not take into account shifts in government policy and other social and economic factors that influence population change, including the UK's decision to leave the EU.

|  | Renfrewshire | Scotland |
|--|--------------|----------|
| Projected population change over the next 25 years | +0.3%        | +6.6%    |

Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

Figure 4: Components of projected population change over next 25 years (2014 – 2039)



Source: Population Projections for Scottish areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

The small projected increase in Renfrewshire's population over the next 25 years is attributable mostly to gains from migration from within Scotland.

### **Changing age structure**

The demographic resilience of local areas is affected by the changing age structure of the population and levels of migration. Working age migrants can play an important role in addressing the ageing population.

Over the next 25 years, Renfrewshire is projected to experience a 50% increase in population aged 65 or over, with an increase of 7,600 (+55%) for males and 8,300 (+46%) for females.

In contrast, there is a projected decrease in the working age population (aged 16-64) of 13% with the largest decrease (-17%) in those aged 50-64.

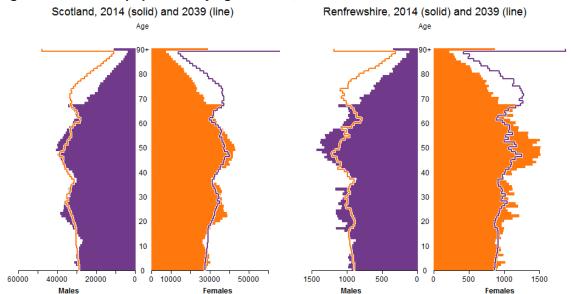


Figure 5: Estimated population by age and sex, 2014 and 2039

Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

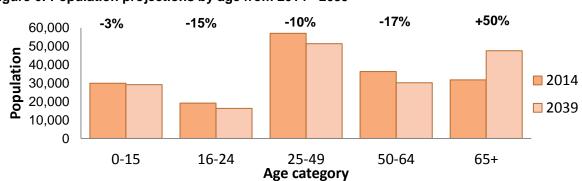


Figure 6: Population projections by age from 2014 - 2039

Source: Population Projections for Scottish Areas, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

# Nationalities of National Insurance Number (NINo) allocations to overseas nationals in 2015

A NINo is generally required by any overseas national looking to work or claim benefits / tax credits in the UK, including the self-employed or students working part time.

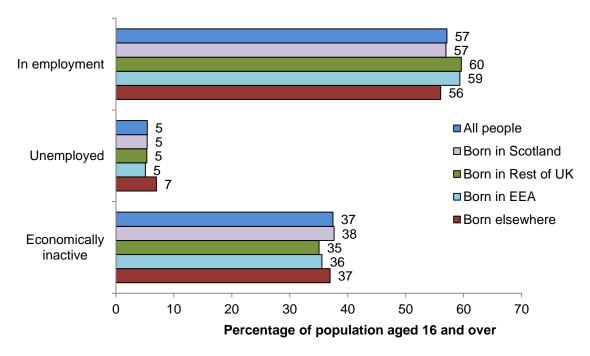
|              | Number of nationalities | Top five nationalities (NINo allocations) |
|--------------|-------------------------|---|
| Renfrewshire | 28                      | Poland, Romania, Spain, France, Italy     |
| Scotland     | 129                     | Poland, Romania, Spain, Italy, Bulgaria   |

Source: Local area migration tables, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

### **Economic activity**

According to the 2011 Census, a slightly higher proportion of Renfrewshire's EEA-born residents aged 16 and over were in employment (59%; 1,700 people) compared with the total population aged 16 and over of the council area (57%). A slightly smaller proportion of EEA residents were economically inactive<sup>1</sup> (36%; 1,000 people) than in the total population (37%).

Figure 7: Percentage of people aged 16 and over in each category of economic activity by country of birth, Renfrewshire, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

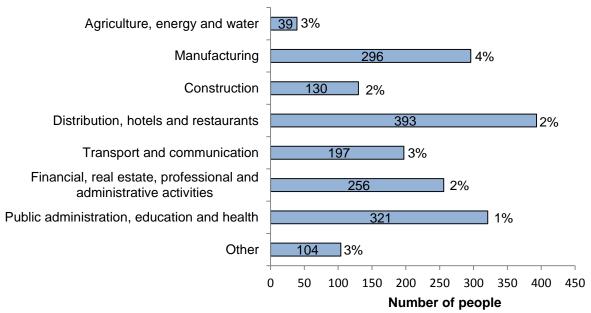
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Economic inactive people include: students not seeking employment, people who are retired, and other people not seeking employment (such as those who are long-term sick or disabled or who are looking after a home or family).

#### **Industry of employment**

A total of 1,700 EEA-born residents of Renfrewshire aged 16-74 were in employment at the time of the 2011 Census. The largest numbers by industrial sector were: Distribution, hotels and restaurants (390 people), Public administration, education and health (320) and Manufacturing (300).

In 2011, EEA-born people made up 2% of all residents of Renfrewshire aged 16-74 in employment. The industrial sector in which this proportion was highest was manufacturing (4%).

Figure 8: Number of people aged 16-74 born in the EEA who work in each industrial sector and percentage of that sector's workforce, Renfrewshire, 2011

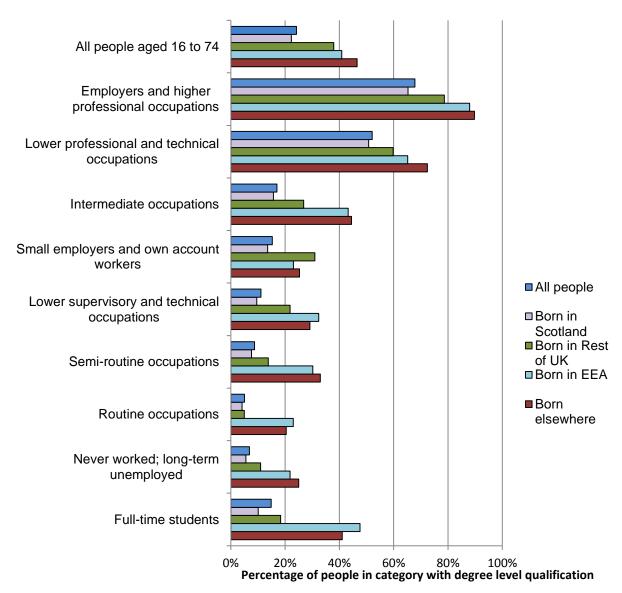


Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

# **National Statistics Socio-economic classification (NS-SeC)** and education

In 2011, the proportion of EEA-born residents of Renfrewshire aged 16-74 who held a degree level qualification (41%; 1,100 people) was higher than for the overall population (24%). This qualification gap tended to be greater for people working in lower level occupation categories.

Figure 9: Percentage of people aged 16-74 with a degree level qualification<sup>2</sup> in each NS-SeC<sup>3</sup> category by country of birth, Renfrewshire, 2011



Source: Scotland's Census 2011, National Records of Scotland (NRS)

occupation. It is an Office for National Statistics standard classification.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In the 2011 Census, this is defined as Level 4 and above and includes: Degree, Postgraduate qualifications, Masters, PhD, SVQ level 5 or equivalent; Professional qualifications (for example, teaching, nursing, accountancy); Other Higher Education qualifications not already mentioned (including foreign qualifications).

The National Statistics Socio-economic Classification (NS-SeC) provides an indication of socio-economic position based on